

## CALIFORNIA STILL WANTS TO OUST THE JAPS

Sacramento, Cal., April 21.—California's position on the pending anti-alien legislation is clearly set forth in a statement given to the United Press today by Senator Ernest S. Birdsall of Placer county. This proposed act is now ready for final action, a similar measure already having passed the lower house of the California legislature.

Senator Birdsall said:

"After years of delay in undertaking this problem of land ownership by unassimilable aliens, the people of California have become impatient of diplomacy and world politics and are no longer to be denied in their demand.

"It must be understood at the outset that it is not the so-called 'jingo' element that is back of his anti-alien land legislation, but first of all the farmer, the substantial man upon whom the state relies. Either he will get relief through his legislative representatives or the question will be decided directly by the initiative. If the anti-alien land law went to the people it would pass by a vote of 4 to 1.

"If we have not the right to enact such legislation the law would be automatically offset by the constitution and existing treaty rights.

"To the question, 'Is this a demand by the whole people of California?' the most conclusive answer is the overwhelming vote by which the alien land law passed the assembly. This is not a hysterical outburst against the Japanese or any other alien people.

"During the past six years the problem has been growing rapidly more acute. I am for the anti-alien land bill today because I am not willing to procrastinate.

"The Japanese farm laborer in this state is simply a pawn moved by a force which the west coast American has just begun to fully comprehend. First he comes as a laborer; then he

contracts to move the crop, underbidding his white competitor, getting a foothold. The next year it is easier for him; he enters into a short-term contract, working the farm on shares. Then a lease is made, and finally comes ownership, the white population moving out, the adjoining property lowered in price, desired only by other aliens.

"Everywhere these colonies are springing up, with the same beginning and the same inevitable end."

## BRIDE IS DAUGHTER OF FORMER CABINET MEMBER



Miss Alys Von L. Meyer, daughter of the former Secretary of the Navy, George Von L. Meyer, will become the bride of Lieut. Raymond Rodgers, U. S. N., on April 26. The marriage will take place in Washington.

Little six-year-old, to young aunt showing him a family portrait—What a funny way that gran'pa is dressed, auntie! Auntie—That is the way gentlemen dressed more than a hundred years ago. Six-year-old—And when gentlemen dressed like that, what did you wear, auntie?